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III. Listing of Claims

Please amend the Claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A spool assembly for a self-locking belt retractor

comprising a locking device for a belt spool shaft, a profile head as carrier of a locking

element arranged so as to be movable with a housing for locking of the belt spool shaft,

a force limiting device in the form of a torsion bar which is connected at one end with

the belt spool shaft and at an opposite end connected with the profile head, at least one

axially extending projection formed by one of the belt spool shaft or the profile head

which fits into a recess formed on the other of the belt spool shaft or the profile head

forming an annular space therebetween and a clamping ring positioned in the annular

space for transmitting limited torque between the belt spool shaft and the profile head

and retaining them in an assembled condition, wherein the clamping ring in an

unassembled condition has a first outer diameter that is larger than a first internal

diameter of the recess and a second internal diameter that is smaller than a second

outer diameter of the projection, and the clamping ring can be pushed onto the

projection about the second outer diameter and laid in the recess along the first internal

diameter so as to deflect the clamping ring to the assembled condition where the

clamping ring frictionally engages both the projection and an inner wall of the recess.

(Cancelled)

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3. (Currently Amended) A spool subassembly according to Claim [[2]] 1, wherein the projection is provided on [[the]] a front side of the one of the belt spool shaft or the profile head with a step for accommodation of the clamping ring.

(Cancelled)

- (Currently Amended) A spool subassembly according to Claim 1 wherein the clamping ring in the unassembled condition is in the form of a flat disc.
- (Previously Presented) A spool subassembly according to Claim 1 wherein the clamping ring is formed as a closed ring.
- (Previously Presented) A spool subassembly according to Claim 1 wherein the clamping ring is in the form of an open ring forming a gap.
- (Previously Presented) A spool subassembly according to Claim 1 wherein the clamping ring has a spiral form.
- (New) A spool subassembly according to Claim 1 wherein the clamping ring in the assembled condition is disposed immediately adjacent to an axial end of the projection.